

CANBERRA CENTRAL PARISH

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 July 2023

St Brigid's
Cnr Bancroft & Wilshire Sts, Dickson

St Patrick's
Cnr Donaldson & Cooyong Sts, Braddon

Year A

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Parish Office Hours

Wed 9.30 –4.00pm,
Fri 1.00 –4.00pm

MASS TIMES

Saturday

6:00pm St Brigid's

Sunday

8:00am St Patrick's

9:30am St Brigid's

10:00am German Mass, St Patrick's

5:00pm Vietnamese Mass, St Brigid's (odd Sun's)

Weekday Masses

Wed & Thurs: 9:00am (St Brigid's)

Tuesday to Friday: 12:30pm (St Patrick's)

Goodwin Village Ainslie Nursing Home: next Mass Tues 20 June 10.30am note liturgy on other Tuesdays.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St Brigid's Dickson

Saturday

9:30am-10:00am

5:30-5:50pm (before Vigil Mass)

St Patrick's, Braddon: Friday 12.00 noon

Pray the Rosary

Tuesday to Saturday 8:35am St Brigid's Church

Please Note: Watson have their weekday Tues–Fri Masses at 5.30pm.



St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal



This winter we are highlighting the increasing rate of older women who either are or are at risk of becoming homeless. Many of those have become so because of disputes with family or because they have suddenly been forced to care for adult children with only their pension to support them. Vinnies helps many

older women in this situation and we are asking for your help to do more. You can donate by filling in the envelopes in the Church and either posting them or giving to one of the Vinnies volunteers at Mass. As always thanks for your generosity.

Planned Giving Envelopes for the next financial year: Now available in the Church foyer from this weekend. We say thank you to all those who have been giving to the planned giving. Whilst we encourage people to give by direct debit or credit card (these forms are available in the foyer, or contact the Parish Office), envelopes are also a welcome option as this enables us to have a regular pledged income. Please collect your envelope, or if you know someone who is not present and would like it dropped off, please feel free to collect. Once again we thank everybody for their generous donation to the Parish.

Visiting Youth Team mount Ainslie prayer walk: some may remember we had a Young Adult team called **U-Turn** visit the parish from Sydney in 2019 and we did a prayer walk up Mount Ainslie. They are blessing us with a visit again on Wed 5 July and we will have a *Stations of the Cross* prayer walk starting 11am at Base of Mount Ainslie behind War Memorial. Mass will be celebrated at the top about 12noon then a byo picnic lunch. All Welcome to join the walk or Mass at the top. Note: they will also be at the 7pm Charismatic prayer night called *Empower Nights* at St Benedict's Narrabundah Tues 4 July- with guest speakers Joe & Julie Chircop from *Servants of Jesus Community* Sydney.

SHEPHERDS CORNER

The PPC met during the week to discuss the big issue for the parish- the pressing need to adjust the Mass time(s)- given I have two 9:30am Masses (with St Thomas More Campbell) and the supply priests helping is a short term option. The results of the Campbell Parish wide survey (available back of the church or contact the parish office) reveal, no surprise, that majority voice is to keep their 9:30am Mass. My feeling after prayer and discussion with Campbell PPC was to alternate the 9:30am Mass with Dickson. But the Dickson PPC here thought this too confusing. We have a combined priests, Vicar General, Archdiocese Chancellor and reps from PPC, FC and Schools meeting next Thursday to discuss further- as part of the Inner North Parishes re-structure. May God make a way! God's blessing
Fr Em

ROSTERS THIS WEEK 1 / 2 JULY

Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

Acolyte Kevin Tee
Readers Aquinas College

Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte Marc Adorni-Braccesi
Readers Ray Toohey & Lindy Dugard

Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

Morning Tea Bernadette & Najib Raya
Acolyte Dominica Rossi
Readers Fernando Family
Counting Ken Maher, Margaret McGee
Church Paul Sukardi & Co
cleaning
Altar Society Glynis Linehan

ROSTERS THIS WEEK 8 / 9 JULY

Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

Acolyte Kevin Tee
Readers Emma & Grace Howse

Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte Michael Kelly
Readers Shenelle Egbert & Jenny Francis

Altar Society Glynis Linehan

Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

Acolyte Anna Lee
Readers Ken Maher & Janet Munro

Counting Mary Boyle & Ros Wiley

Church Men Alive



One of the major works of *Aid to the Church in Need* is providing transport to priests, sisters, and catechists to reach the faithful, who are often at great distances and must go through difficult terrain. In 2022, ACN provided

1,253 pastoral vehicles. Can you help us supply transport to priests and religious again in 2023? Visit www.aidtochurch.org/transport or scan the QR code to make an offering and learn more.

Planned Giving

We have returned to passing the collection bags around as this has significantly increased the collections. Thankyou to all those collectors who are helping. Thanks again to those giving electronically Eft or using the tap machines.

Account details for EFT contributions to collections

First Collection (for priests)

Central Presbytery Fund

BSB: 062 786

Account Number: 000029248

Please include the name of the parish in the reference field and your surname e.g. 'CANBERRA CENTRAL BLOGGS' or just 'CENTRAL BLOGGS'.

Second Collection (for parish)

Canberra Central Parish

BSB: 062-786

Account Number: 000013150

Please include your Planned Giving number in the reference field (if you have one): e.g. 'BROWN EN-V111'.

Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle: every 1st Saturday of the month at St Brigid's Church 10am. Includes Rosary and Consecration to Immaculate Heart of Mary.

12 July | CatholicCare / Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation Program | 5:00 pm –

9:00 pm Marriage Preparation program for engaged couples. Includes FOCCUS questionnaire, dinner, evening formation program and a private, follow-up couple discussion with a CatholicCare counsellor. The cost for the whole package is \$300 per couple.

Information and registration -

www.marriagefamily.org.au **Enquiries:** Helena Zobec on 0405 440 463 or

marriage.preparation@cg.org.au

Please Pray for

The Sick

Brenda Curren, Joan Goodwin, Nadine Hartley,



Gabriel Hengkiarto Indra, Mary



O'Hanlon, Theresa Okwudike, Alphonsa

Bankobsky, Dave Senior, Baby Remi Elliott, Tony

Bandle, Joyce Thompson

Recently Deceased:

John Kirkland, Rex Carmody, Felicity William, John Mahon, Roslyn Tippetts,

Domingo Apolinar

Anniversary: Ricarte Polloso, Tin Nguyen, David Wignall, Chris Ford, Augustine Fonseka,

Silvio Rossi.

Regular Parish Groups/Meetings

Charismatic Prayer Group

In Dickson Parish Hall each Friday, Mass, worship, talk & prayers at 7:00pm-9:30pm. For more details contact Shan at shahandra777@gmail.com

Eucharistic Adoration: Twelve Hours for the Lord

Weekly Adoration, every Wednesday in Dickson church, from 8:00am to 8:30pm, with Benediction at 8:20pm. For enquiries to help on the roster pls see Fr Emil emil.milat@cg.org.au. **Please Note:** Adoration continues in 2023 also each Saturday 9.30– 10.00

Living in God's Divine Will Prayer Group

Gathering 25-27 August at Galong for the Annual Retreat Weekend. For more info. please contact Fr Emil emil.milat@cg.org.au

Legion of Mary

Meets weekly in Dickson Parish hall. Legionaries are simply Mary's means of action in the world today! Come and join any time. For more information contact Sherree via text: 0407 610 526.



Craft Group

Craft Group on Wednesday fortnightly at 1pm in St. Brigid's Parish Hall. Enquiries Mary Boyle 0450 060 526

Parish Youth Group: The next Parish Youth Group Saturday will restart in Term 3. This is held fortnightly in the Dickson Parish Hall at 7.00pm. We provide pizza with fun activities Then we watch a video to reflect on. For more info see Fr Emil 0414 523 036.

St Matthew & St Vincent Parish Secretary: People are invited to apply for the position Parish Secretary, working from the Aranda office This is a part-time permanent position, 22 hours per week. Essential Requirements: experience with database packages, strong communication and liaison skills, strong organisational skills, ability to work on your own, and as part of a wider team and take direction, understanding and respect for the Catholic Church and its teachings, experience in an office environment. Please phone 6254 1827 for a copy of the duty statement. Applications addressing the Essential Requirements listed above, with a current resume may be addressed to Parish Priest -Fr. Simon Falk at southbelconnen.cg.org.au and should be received by 30th June., Interviews will be held on Wednesday 5th July.

First Reading 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.'

One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. 'What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi (his servant) answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. 'This time next year,' Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 88:2-3, 16-19

R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord;
through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth.

Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever,
that your truth is firmly established as the heavens. **R.**

Happy the people who acclaim such a king,
who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,
who find their joy every day in your name,
who make your justice the source of their bliss. **R.**

For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength;
it is by your favour that our might is exalted:
for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord;
our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel. **R.**

We acknowledge the Ngunnawal people as traditional custodians of the ACT and recognise any other people or families with connection to the lands of the ACT and region. We acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of this city and this region.

Second Reading Romans 6:3-4, 8-11

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Peter 2:9

Alleluia, alleluia!
You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people.
Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light.
Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 10:37-42

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.'

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.'

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man's reward.'

'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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